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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: King Y Poon
TOSHIAKI SAITO ET AL.	)	
	:	Art Unit: 2624
Application No.: 09/605,372	)	
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Filed: June 29, 2000	)	
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For: AN IMAGE COMMUNICATION	)	
APPARATUS, METHOD AND	:	
STORAGE MEDIUM FOR	)	
TRANSMITTING OR RECEIVING	:	
A COLOR IMAGE (As Amended)	)	March 15, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

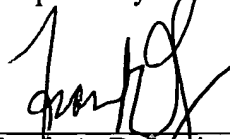
RESPONSE TO ELECTION-OF-SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2005, Applicants provisionally elect, without traverse, to proceed initially with prosecution of Species II, shown in Figs. 13 and 14 (image communication apparatus used as image data transmitting). Claims 1-6, 10-15, 19, and 20 read on the elected Species.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Frank A. DeLucia', written over a horizontal line.

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